

Central Falls School District
Meeting Minutes – October 24, 2018
McKenna Center, 115 Illinois Street, Central Falls, RI
5:30pm

- I) Call to Order and Roll Call- The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Anna Cano-Morales at 5:37pm. A roll call was taken. Board Members Present: Anna Cano-Morales, Stephanie Gonzalez, Andrew Bramson, and Hugo Figueroa. Excused: Diosa Martinez, Ron Pitt, and Sonia Grace,
- II) Pledge- The pledge was led by Mr. Bramson.
- III) Chairwoman Cano-Morales moved the athletic field's discussion to the beginning of the agenda with no objections from the board.

Mr. Thom Deller, City Planner, City of Central Falls presented the city's plans for getting athletic fields back in playing conditions. Mr. Deller informed the board that city's plans include: 1. Getting Macomber back in playing conditions by September 2019, 2. a new field would be created for soccer at 1304 High Street and that there are conversations about getting the other fields in playing conditions within the next year or two, including Higginson fields. Mr. Deller credited Narragansett Bay Commission with being supportive of the city's rebuilding of the fields.

Chairwoman Cano-Morales thanked Mr. Deller and encouraged him to make this information public.

Mr. Deller invited the board to attend the ground breaking for the new train station which will take place on November 2nd at 12:30 p.m.

- IV) Approval of the meeting minutes of September 26, 2018. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Ms. Gonzalez, seconded by Mr. Figueroa. Mr. Figueroa asked that the minutes be amended to show that he was present at the meeting of September 26th. All in favor. Approved.
- V) Approval of personnel actions including any new appointments, rescission, resignations, recalls, and retirements:

New Hires:

- Lissette Castrillon, Bilingual Speech-Language Pathology, Ella Risk
- Tatiana Baena, Director of Enrichment (Formerly 21st Century Director), District

Recalls

- Desiree Magnifico, ELA/Gen Ed. Interventionist, Calcutt
- Kayla Carron, PK-K Special Education, Robertson/Hunt

Resignations

- Courtney Connolly, Special Educator (SID), CFHS
- Francisco Alves, Network Manager, District
- Caroline Green, ELA, CFHS

Motion to approve made by Mr. Figueroa, seconded by Mr. Bramson. All in favor.
Motion approved.

The board requested a presentation about the Fellows program.

VI) School Building Committee Updates

Superintendent Capellan informed the board that the district is working with RIDE and the City of Central Falls on a new Master Plan for the district's school buildings.

The district received approval for safety and security upgrades. More information will be available when the MOU is received from RIDE.

The district received approval to continue working until the 12/31/19 with the \$2.3M that were approved last year.

VII) Equity Policy discussed and the following recommendations were made:

- We utilized Providence's policy as a foundation to build the one for Central Falls.
- The purpose of the policy is to empower the district to implement the Equity Blueprint for Success.
- The board wants to embed and codify practices in policy.

Mr. Bramson recommended having more metrics.

The board did not take action on the policy.

VIII) School Based Team Nominations –

- None

IX) Public Comments

None

X) Superintendent Comments

Superintendent Capellan informed the board that the PSAT and SAT scores were released and that he will make those available to the board and the public in the near future.

XI) Board Comments:

Ms. Gonzalez asked to learn more about the Warrior Fellows and about how the high school's guidance department is staffed.

Ms. Cano-Morales asked that we send the board a list of activities coming up for December.

Mr. Figueroa wanted to know how the school website development was coming and how we can integrate with Skyward information.

XII) Mr. Bramson moved to convene into Executive Session, under RI General Laws 42-46-5 (a) (2), seconded by Mr. Figueroa. Roll Call - Present: Anna Cano-Morales, Stephanie Gonzalez, Andrew Bramson, and Hugo Figueroa. – All in favor. The board went into executive session at 6:40 p.m.

A motion to seal the minutes of Executive Session was made by Mr. Figueroa and seconded by Mr. Bramson. All in favor. Motion Approved.

A motion to be move out of executive session at 6:59 p.m. was made by Mr. Bramson and seconded by Ms. Gonzalez. All in favor. Motion Approved.

XIV. Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Gonzalez and seconded by Mr. Figueroa.

The board adjourned at 7:00 p.m.